

October Community Events Calendar

Kaiser Permanente San Jose Farmers' Market

Date: Every Friday, year round. 10am-2pm

Summary: Kaiser Permanente San Jose partners with the Pacific Coast Farmer's Market Association to provide real California grown, fresh, seasonal, and organic produce sold by the farmers who produced the crops.

Location: 250 Hospital Parkway, San Jose, CA 95119

Located between the One North (270 International Circle) and Two North buildings

More information:

<https://members.kaiserpermanente.org/redirects/farmersmarkets/>

Japantown Certified Farmers' Market

Date: Sunday mornings from 8:30am-12pm

Summary: Enjoy local fresh fruits and vegetables

Location: Jackson St. and 6th and 7th Streets,

Directly in front of Miraido Village

San Jose, 95112

More information: <http://www.japantownsanjose.org/market.html>

Healthy Trails Stroller Hike Alviso Marina County Park

Date: Thursday, October 1, 2009. 4:30pm-6pm

Summary: Join a Strollerhikes.com Docent to explore the bayland birds and breezes. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring sun protection, water, snacks and camera.

Location: Alviso Marina

Mill St.

Alviso, CA 95002

More information: www.parkhere.org

12th Annual WALK to End Domestic Violence

Date: Friday, October 2, 2009. 11am-1:30pm

Summary: Raise awareness about domestic violence and encourage everyone to get involved in preventing and addressing it by walking. Featuring, Robin Givens - Actress, Author, and Survivor of Domestic Violence.

Location: San Jose City Hall

More Information: www.sanjoseca.gov

Friday Night Movie in the Park

Date: Friday, October 2, 2009. 7:30pm-10pm

Summary: Free movie for the community.

Location: Camden Park
2013 Camden Ave.
San Jose, CA 95124
More information: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/>

V.I.P. Winetasting and Mixer Reception

Date: Friday, October 2, 2009. 6pm-9pm
Summary: Hosted by The Positive Alternative Recreation Teambuilding Impacting (P.A.R.T.I.), guests will enjoy a silent auction, wine tasting, networking, appetizers and live entertainment. \$25-\$40 in advance or \$35-\$50 at the door.
Location: Beshoff Motorcars Dealership
3000 East Capital Expressway
San Jose, CA 95148
More Information: www.riottt.com/jhoward

Fashion Show Fundraiser – Exposure

Date: Saturday, October 3, 2009.
Summary: Guests will enjoy a fashion show, dress the media in fashion, boutique expo, workshops, and networking. \$25-\$40 in advance or \$35-\$50 at the door.
Location: San Jose State University Ballroom
One Washington Square
San Jose, CA 95192
More Information: www.riottt.com

Prusch Farm Park Foundation Harvest Fair and Exposition

Date: Saturday, October 3, 2009. 10am-4pm
Summary: This event will include a pumpkin patch, exhibits of local school and 4H projects, cooking demonstrations, winter vegetable plant sales, all day entertainment, pony rides, petting zoo, tours of the Park and historic farm house and barn.
Location: Emma Prusch Farm Park
647 S. King Road, San Jose, CA
More information: <http://www.pruschfarmpark.org/>

Trail Day Volunteer Project

Date: Saturday, October 3, 2009. 9am-1pm
Summary: Help park staff with new trail construction and maintenance projects. Gloves, tools, water, and snacks will be provided. Bring a refillable water bottle, hiking shoes, long pants, long-sleeve shirt, and sun protection. 40 volunteers are needed for this project-rain or shine.
Location: Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch County Park
10840 Coyote Lake Rd.

Gilroy, CA 95020
More information: <http://www.pruschfarmpark.org/>

Family Friendly Moonlight Hike

Date: Saturday, October 3, 2009. 6pm-7:30pm
Summary: Enjoy an outing under the moon and stars on the paved Los Gatos Creek Trail. Watch for wildlife that come out at dark, explore overhead constellations and discover many secrets of the night.
Location: Vasona Lake County Park
333 Blossom Hill Rd.
Los Gatos, CA 95032
More information: <http://www.pruschfarmpark.org/>

Be The Change Day-GO GREEN at the Heritage Rose Gardens

Date: Saturday, October 3, 2009. 8:30am-1pm
Summary: On Be The Change Day, volunteers will help in the maintenance of San Jose's beautiful Heritage Rose Garden by weeding, mulching, pruning, and doing light repair of facilities.
Location: Heritage Rose Garden
Spring St. and W.Taylor St.
San Jose, CA 95110
More information: <http://www.bethechangeday.org/>

Be The Change Day 2009-MAKE AN IMPACT at RAFT

Date: Saturday, October 3, 2009. 9am-1pm
Summary: Volunteer at RAFT's warehouse for a fun time sorting books, toys and stickers, plus creating learning kits from donated materials. Volunteers may also greet teachers who are shopping and give simple demonstrations of the projects
Location: RAFT
1355 Ridder Park Dr.
San Jose, CA 95131
More information: <http://www.bethechangeday.org/>

Bake Sale to end Childhood Hunger

Date: Saturday, October 3, 2009. 11am-5pm
Summary: This meet-up is designed specifically around an annual fundraiser in the fight to end childhood poverty in America by the year 2015. Sign up to help bake, package, organize or come to Bake Sale and purchase goods and crafts.
Location: Green Cup
747 S Winchester Blvd Ste. 188
San Jose, CA 95128

More information: <http://www.meetup.com/The-Great-American-Bake-Sale-Campbell/>

4th Annual Rock 'n' Roll Half Marathon San Jose

Date: Sunday, October 4, 2009. 7am

Summary: The event features free on-course entertainment, including 16 bands playing live rock 'n' roll music. Join the fun! The race starts in downtown San Jose and completes a tour of many of San Jose's most exciting views and venues.

Location: Downtown San Jose,

W. Santa Clara between San Pedro and Almaden Blvd.

More information: www.competitor.com/community

Youth Science Institute 24th Annual Wildlife Festival

Date: Sunday, October 4, 2009. 11am-4:00pm

Summary: This festival will provide food and fun throughout the day. Families can participate in wildlife programs, hands-on science activities and crafts. Trained YSI experts will lead nature walks, give hands-on demonstrations and present a beautiful collection of nature-related crafts.

Location: Alum Rock Park

16260 Penitencia Creek Road, San Jose, CA

More information: <http://www.ysi-ca.org/>

2nd Annual Disability Awareness Day

Date: Thursday, October 8, 2009. 10am-2pm

Summary: Celebrate diversity, awareness and empowerment for persons with differing abilities. Free workshops (begin at 8:30 a.m.), Resource Fair, Games & Activities, Sports Exhibitions, Arts Display & Demos, Empathy Experience

Location: City of San Jose

200 E. Santa Clara St. City Hall Rotunda & Plaza

More information: <http://www.dad.sjdistrict1.com/>

Haunted Ranch Horse Tours

Date: Friday, October 9, 2009. 8pm-12am and Saturday, October 10, 2009. 7pm-11pm

Summary: Join Ghost Trackers and a park historian for a special 1-hour moonlit tour of the Grant Ranch House. Explore the both the virtual and supernatural history of this old mansion using only a flashlight and your imagination.

Location: Grant County Park

18405 Mt. Hamilton Rd.

San Jose, CA 95140

More information: <http://www.pruschfarmpark.org/>

Friends of Guadalupe River Park Pumpkins in the Park

Date: Sunday, October 10, 2009. 10am-4pm

Summary: Effort to raise awareness of the park and gardens and brings families into the park for a day of learning and fun. Fun activities will include Giant Pumpkin Patch, Scarecrow Row, Apple Tasting, Fresh Apple Cider, Guadalupe River Education, lots of Free Kid's Activities, and Children's Concert.

Location: Guadalupe River Park/ Discovery Meadow
West San Carlos Street/ Woz Way, San Jose, CA

More information: <http://www.grpg.org/>

Luna Park 2009 Chalk Art Festival

Date: Saturday, October 10, 2009. 10am-3pm

Summary: This event features food, music and resource booths. Visitors can watch featured chalk-artists create amazing street masterpieces.

Location: Backesto Park
13th Street and Jackson Streets, San Jose

More information: www.lunaparkbusiness.com

7th Annual Open Air Health Fair

Date: Saturday, October 10 and Sunday, October 11, 2009. 12 noon-5pm

Summary: Support The Health Trust's efforts to provide health screening and education services to underserved members of the community!

Location: Berryessa Flea Market
1590 Berryessa Road
San Jose, CA 95133

More information: www.healthtrust.org/healthfair

2009 Breath of Life Walk

Date: Saturday, October 10, 2009. 10am

Summary: Come celebrate their 8th Annual Breath of Life Walk, which is a fundraising event for Breathe California. Every dollar raised will support our local programs, services and research in the Bay Area. Please help them find better treatments and a cure for lung disease!!

Location: West Valley College
14000 Fruitvale Ave, Saratoga

More information: <http://www.breathoflifewalk.org/>

Youth Job Fair and Workshop

Date: Saturday, October 10, 2009. 8:30am-2pm

Summary: This event is specifically designed for 16 to 20 year old job seekers, and participants will have the opportunity to attend workshops which highlight interview skills, resume writing, and guidance for completing a job application. The Job Fair will also feature successful local businesses in a professional job fair environment.

Location: The Plant Shopping Center Community Room, 2189
Monterey Rd., Suite 280

More information: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/>

The Ohlone Lifestyle

Date: Saturday, October 10, 2009. 10am-1pm

Summary: Explore early ways of the Ohlone People who once lived off this land ate diverse meals, entertained themselves, made clothing, crafted tools, and furnished their home with only what nature provided. There will be stories and activities with a Park Ranger.

Location: Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch County Park
10840 Coyote Lake Rd.
Gilroy, CA 95020

More information: www.parkhere.org

Amah Mutsun Tribal Celebration

Date: Saturday, October 10, 2009. 11am-3pm

Summary: Join members of the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band of Coastanoan/Ohlone Indians for a special day of historical and cultural presentations. Park visitors will also be able to participate in a variety of hands-on activities.

Location: Chitactac-Adams Heritage
10001 Watsonville Rd.
Gilroy, CA 95020

More information: www.parkhere.org

YWCA 19th Annual Luncheon Event

Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2009. 11:30am-1:30pm

Summary: The event serves as a major fundraiser with proceeds going to support the programs and services of the YWCA of Silicon Valley. This year's keynote speaker is Sonja Manzano, easily recognized at "Maria" on Sesame Street.

Location: San Jose McEnery Convention Center
150 W. San Carlos St.
San Jose, CA 95110

More information: <http://www.ywca-scv.org/>

Public Safety, Finance & Strategic Support Committee Special Evening Meeting

Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2009. 6pm-8:00pm

Summary: The meeting is to elicit public feedback on the City's efforts to address issues related to public safety and policing in San Jose.

Spanish and Vietnamese interpreters will be available at the meeting.

Location: San Jose City Hall

City Council Chambers

801 North First Street

San Jose, California

More information: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/>

CommUniverCity San José: SAFE & GREEN HALLOWEEN 2009 COSTUME DRIVE

Date: The last day to drop-off your costume is Wednesday, October 14th.

Summary: Last year, a non-profit organization collected gently-used children's Halloween costumes and partnered with CommUniverCity San José to distribute them in the Five Wounds/Brookwood Terrace neighborhoods, so that over 1,400 children could celebrate Halloween. This year their goal is to collect 100 costumes. Please bring in any new or gently used children's Halloween costume and drop it off in the collection bin.

Location: City Hall Tower 18th floor lobby

200 East Santa Clara St.

San José, CA 95113

More information: <http://www.communivercitysanjose.org>

California's "Great Shake Out" Drill

Date: Thursday, October 15, 2009. 10:15am

Summary: In commemoration of the Loma Prieta Earthquake of 1989, San Jose residents are encouraged to join Californians throughout the state in participating in the "Great Shake Out." It is a state-wide earthquake drill aimed at raising earthquake preparedness and awareness for all Californians. To participate in this event simply "drop, cover and hold" for 60 seconds wherever you are.

Location: N/A

More information: <http://www.shakeout.org/drill/>

Healthy Trails Toddler Trek

Date: Thursday, October, 15, 2009. 4:30pm-6pm

Summary: Join a Docent from Strollerhikes.com on this moderate 2.5-mile hike geared for families with young children. Bring your infant packs/carriers, sun protection, sturdy hiking shoes, water and snacks.

Location: Santa Teresa Park
260 Bernal Rd.
San Jose, CA 95119
More information: www.parkhere.org

Introduction to Geocaching

Date: Saturday, October 17, 2009. 8:45-12 Noon
Summary: Join Docent Sam Drake from Geocachers of the Bay Area on a caching adventure. Hike the Figueroa, Vallecito, Pena and Los Cerritos trails. All equipment and instruction provided for free!
Location: Calero County Park
23205 McKean Rd.
San Jose, CA 95120
More information: www.parkhere.org

History Walk

Date: Saturday, October 17, 2009. 1:30pm-3:30pm
Summary: Join a park historian on this leisurely walk to discover the historical features of the park. Explore Halls Valley history from Indian days to the recent past, including a tour of the Grant Ranch House.
Location: Grant County Park
18405 Mt. Hamilton Rd.
San Jose, CA 95140
More information: www.parkhere.org

Star Party

Date: Saturday, October 17, 2009. 7:30pm-11pm
Summary: Take a look into the night sky with members of the Halls Valley Astronomical Group. Telescopes are provided, but you are welcome to bring one.
Location: Grant County Park
18405 Mt. Hamilton Rd.
San Jose, CA 95140
More information: www.parkhere.org

National Chemistry Week Celebration 2009

Date: Saturday, October 17, 2009. 10am-1pm
Summary: Come take a spin on the Chemistry Wheel of Fortune, where everyone wins a prize! It's your chance to pick up free ACS publications "Chemistry Matters" and "Celebrating Chemistry". In addition, for kids of all ages there will be fun hands-on activities that showcase the chemistry of the elements
Location: MLK Jr. Library
150 E. San Fernando St.

San Jose, CA 95172
More information: <http://www.scvacs.org/>

20th Annual Walk for AIDS Silicon Valley

Date: Sunday, October 18, 2009. 8am

Summary: The Walk is more than just a fundraiser-it is a way for all members of the community to show their support for HIV/AIDS, a pandemic that still has no cure and is affecting the lives of our neighbors and friends. Participate as an individual, join a team, host a benefit, and help make an impact!

Location: Discovery Meadow Guadalupe River Parks and Gardens,
Downtown San Jose

More information: <http://www.aidsleadershipcenter.org/>

Healthy Trails Hike

Date: Saturday, October 24, 2009. 9am-11am

Summary: Join Docent Cait Hutnik to enjoy a hike along the Woods Road Trail.

Location: Almaden Quicksilver County Park
21785 Almaden Rd.
San Jose, CA 95120

More information: www.parkhere.org

Creepy Campfire

Date: Saturday, October 24, 2009. 6pm-9pm

Summary: Enjoy a night around the campfire with a Park Ranger. Explore myths and stories that surround our nocturnal animal neighbors; stay for the Halloween-theme movie to follow. Bring a blanket or low beach chair and flashlight.

Location: Vasona Lake County Park
333 Blossom Hill Rd.
Los Gatos, CA 95032

More information: www.parkhere.org

Bugged-Out Movie Night – Tarantula

Date: Saturday, October 24, 2009. 7:30pm-10:30pm

Summary: Explore the fascinating life of the tarantula in our world. Hang on to your seats while watching the 1950s thriller “Tarantula”, followed by some safe close encounters with the real-life creatures!

Location: Santa Teresa’s County Park’s Historic Bernal Ranch
260 Bernal Rd.
San Jose, CA 95119

More information: www.parkhere.org

Mommy & Me on the Row Kid's Club

Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2009. 10am-12 Noon

Summary: Santana Row's popular Mommy & Me on the Row series returns for another season of free entertainment, interactive games, crafts and educational activities designed for parents and their pre-school aged children.

Location: Santana Row, Park Valencia at Santana Row

Located on Olin Avenue off Winchester and Stevens Creek boulevards, San Jose, CA 95128

More information:

http://www.santanarow.com/events/item/mommy_me_on_the_row_kids_club5/

Beading together for parent and child

Date: Wednesday, October 28, 2009. 4pm-5:30pm

Summary: Create beautiful, wacky and colorful beads from common materials such as paper, yarn, clay and more. Make an array of beads to wear or give as a holiday gift! Enjoy parent and child time and bead your way to a lot of fun. Class fee covers on adult and one child.

Location: West San Jose Community Center

3707 Williams St.

San Jose, CA 95117

More information: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/prns/>

City of San Jose - Office of Emergency Services San Jose Prepared!

Date: Thursday, October 29, 2009. 6pm-8pm

Summary: FREE Two-Hour Home and Family Disaster Preparedness Training. Registration is encouraged for the availability of adequate course material, however walk-ins are welcome.

Location: Mayfair Community Center

2039 Kammerer Avenue, San Jose, CA

More information:

<http://www.sanjoseca.gov/emergencyServices/SanJosePrepared/>

Halloween Haunt

Date: Friday, October 30, 2009. 5pm-8pm

Summary: Play ghostly games, carve a free pumpkin, eat s'mores around the campfire and take a creepy hike around the Spring Valley Pond. Costumes and all ages welcome, children must be supervised by an adult.

Location: Ed Levin County Park

3100 Calaveras Rd.

Milpitas, CA 95035

More information: www.parkhere.org

Park Beautification Day Volunteer Project

Date: Saturday, October 31, 2009. 9am-1pm

Summary: Help park staff with trail work, invasive plant removal, playground clean-up, litter removal and other projects that help keep the park beautiful. Gloves, tools, water and snacks will be provided. Bring refillable water bottle, hiking shoes, long pants, long-sleeve shirt and sun protection. 40 volunteers are needed for this project-rain or shine.

Location: Hellyer County Park

985 Hellyer Ave.

San Jose, CA 95111

More information: www.parkhere.org